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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

SUBJECT:

Compartmented Clearances for Staff Members of Congressional Committees

1. The enclosed memorandum on this subject and its attachment are circulated for Board consideration of the recommendation in paragraph 3 which has been approved by the Security Committee. This recommendation requests approval of the attachment implementing an agreement reached between representatives of the Secretary of Defense and CIA, that CIA provide for the registration of compartmented security clearances or access approvals for staff members of Congressional Committees.

USIB Action Requested

2. Board members are requested to advise the Secretariat by close of business 2 June of their concurrence in or other views on the recommendation in paragraph 3 of the enclosure.

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Executive Secretary

Enclosure

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MEMORANDUM FOR

: Chairman, United States Intelligence Board

SUBJECT

: Compartmented Clearances for Staff Members of Congressional Committees

- 1. In March 1970 you directed that discussions be held between representatives of the Secretary of Defense, the Office of Legislative Counsel, CIA and the Office of Security, CIA concerning registration of security clearances or access approvals for staff members of Congressional Committees.
- 2. The discussions were held and it was agreed that the Office of Security, CIA would provide for the registration of compartmented security clearances and access approvals, but not "Secret" and "Top Secret" clearances of the staff members of Congressional Committees.
- 3. This concept was presented to the members of the Security Committee who accepted it and agreed to submit the attached proposal of implementation for the information and approval of the USIB.

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Howard J. Osborn Chairman, Security Committee

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The Central Intelligence Agency will provide a service of common concern to the departments and agencies represented on the USIB by registering compartmented security clearances and access approvals of the staff members of Congressional Committees. The clearances and access approvals include COMINT (SI), TALENT-KEYHOLE (T/KH), and Projects. The registration will not include "Secret" or "Top Secret" clearances for staff members of Congressional Committees or any clearances for members of the personal staff of an elected official of the Senate or House of Representatives.

It will be the responsibility of the granting department or agency to insure that the staff member meets the requirements expressed in DCID 1/14, Uniform Personnel Security Criteria for Access to Compartmented Intelligence.

It will further be the responsibility of the granting department or agency to inform by established courier channels the TALENT Security Officer, Compartmented Information Branch, Central Intelligence Agency, Room 3 E 47, of the clearances and access approvals provided the staff member. A sample form is attached which may be used for this purpose.

It is understood by the departments and agencies that each may accept the certification of the Compartmented Information Branch, CIA, without regard to or the necessity of duplicating the clearance procedures and without consultation with the granting department or agency before providing the staff member with intelligence material.

A certification will not be valid for longer than five years without an updating of the background investigation on which the clearance was originally granted. It will be the responsibility of the original granting agency to conduct this updating investigation.

It will also be the responsibility of the original granting agency to terminate the clearance when access is no longer required.

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The Compartmented Information Branch (CIB) of the Office of Security, CIA will inform departments and agencies of the withdrawal of sponsorship and the termination of access approvals.

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